

YOUR LAST CHANCE

The Christmas hours are fleeting but there is yet time to make your gift selections. Tonight our store will remain open till 11 o'clock. By making your purchases here you get our gift of

50% DISCOUNT 50%

Nothing could be more appropriate than Decorated China. Our line is complete. See the wonderful bargains tonight in our China Basement.

We have also added 25 Rockers to be disposed of in our Xmas Discount Sale. Make your selection tonight.

SPECIAL NOTE—Store will remain open for short time tomorrow morning for last minute buying and delivery.

"THE PEOPLE'S FAVORITE STORE."

DOC & BILL

THE HOUSEFURNISHERS

CASH OF TIME PAYMENTS

8-10 Grand Ave.

Phone Wal. 260.

ECHOES OF THE STREETS

According to compilations made by the insurance firm of Upsher & Upsher, employed by the board of affairs, the state has collected \$113,656.29 in insurance on buildings burned since August 1, 1913. During the same time the state has paid \$30,000 in premiums to insurance companies, showing that the state has profited about \$74,000. Records prior to 1913 were so incomplete that no attempt was made to ascertain the information relative to former years.

Wanted at the Epworth League of the First Methodist church Sunday evening—two kinds of people, those who are satisfied that last year was the best year of their lives and those who believe that last year was not the best. The Epworth League will conduct the meeting. The theme of the lesson will be "A Larger Life and Growing Ideas." All young people are invited.

The Woman's Committee of the Oklahoma City local will give a banquet to the newly elected Socialist officers in the Westfall hall Saturday night, January 9.

Secretary of State Ben F. Harrison today granted the following charters: American Coal company of Poteau, capital, \$1,000; incorporators, T. P. Miller, Abbie Miller, Hugh Dook, Poteau. The Progressive School of Chiropractic of Holart, capital, none; incorporators, Dr. T. S. Starkey, Holart; Dr. Ora E. Pope, Frederick; Dr. George E. Elliott, Elk City. Eagle Film company of Oklahoma City, capital, \$12,000; incorporators, E. D. Nix, St. Louis, Mo.; William Tighman, Oklahoma City; C. Madsen, Guthrie. El Reno Brick company, capital, \$10,000; incorporators, Henry Schaefer, A. C. Krejpe, D. E. Collins, L. B. Myers, El Reno.

W. L. Emmert and James Horn of Tallahassee have filed a claim for \$50 with the governor's office for services in the arrest and conviction of Valley Ballard, alleged horse thief. There is a standing reward of \$50 for the arrest and conviction of horse thieves in the state, this having been the custom for many years.

H. S. Muldrow, a prominent Mason, and his son Fisher are in Oklahoma City today. Mr. Muldrow formerly lived at Tahomingo, but recently moved to Norman to give his children the advantages of the university at that place.

Lizzie Bryson filed suit today for divorce in district court, alleging non-support and desertion by her husband, Lee Bryson. The plaintiff also asks that her maiden name, Lizzie Powell, be restored to her.

Miss Effie Tratchel, assistant superintendent of the Oklahoma City Probation association, was appointed police matron today by Mayor Whit M. Grant. Miss Tratchel succeeds Mrs. Emily Withington, who resigned Tuesday. The new incumbent takes office on January 1.

Early Christmas morning services will be held at the Swedish Lutheran church, Eleventh street and Shattuck avenue, at 5 o'clock Christmas morning. The Sunday school Christmas exercises will be given at the church tomorrow night at 7:30 o'clock.

The Y. W. C. A. rooms will not be open at all Christmas day.

Dr. J. M. Alford will not meet the class in First Aid to the Injured at the regular time at the Y. W. C. A. nor will the class in china painting meet, as Mrs. Boylan is out of the city.

A jury in the superior court today assessed the penalty of J. H. Kelly at \$5 and costs at the conclusion of his trial on a charge of resisting arrest by Patrolman L. B. Youngblood on November 25. The evidence showed that the fare asked by the cab driver, over which the fight commenced, was excessive. A city ordinance provides that for a trip of ten blocks or less, not more than 25 cents per person shall be charged. In this case, it developed, Kelly and his wife had ridden nine and one-half blocks and he had tendered the driver 50 cents which

he refused, claiming as his fee \$1. The jury seemed satisfied that the discharge of the revolver accredited to Kelley was purely accidental.

The St. Louis and San Francisco Railway was made defendant in a suit for \$5,000 filed in district court today by Victor G. Welsh. Welsh claims that a few months ago he took the train at Luther, intending to come to Oklahoma City and that when he offered the conductor his ticket it was refused and that another ticket or the cash fare was demanded. This was refused and he was ejected from the train at Jones. Welsh, the petition further recites, had to walk to Oklahoma City as it was imperative that he reach here before another train should come.

Judge John W. Hayson today indicated that he will sustain the contest brought by Mrs. Belle Augustus against the will of her father, Mayo E. Stratton, bequeathing all his interests to his daughter, Mrs. William Tighman, wife of Oklahoma City's former chief of police. Mrs. Stratton was a daughter of a former wife and asked for an equal distribution of the property among the several heirs. The competency of the father was made the basis of the contest. He had been paralyzed for several years while making his home with Mrs. Tighman.

A. L. Hilpritt, assistant county attorney, and Mrs. Hilpritt left this morning for Mt. Vernon Mo., to spend the Christmas holidays at Mr. Hilpritt's former home.

Dan Smiley, alias Jim Smith, was arraigned this morning before county Judge Hayson, who fixed his bond at \$500 pending the filing of preliminary information. Smiley is charged with attempting to swindle Monan Pruitt out of \$75.

County Attorney D. K. Pope returned this morning from Mangum where he has been attending to legal business.

Miss Kate Lester, general secretary of the Oklahoma City Y. W. C. A., left last night for her home in Villisca Iowa, to spend the holidays. A number of the girls at the association headquarters are also away for the week, leaving the place rather deserted.

Christmas exercises were held at the Lee school at Capitol Hill yesterday under the direction of the Patron's club of the school. Phillip Schmidt acted as Santa Claus and presented each of the children with a treat of candy and toys, part of the contribution made by the high school manual training classes. The celebration was in the old fashioned form and helped wonderfully in giving the children the spirit of Christmas.

A contribution of \$2.50 for the Christmas Basket Fund being collected by the United Provident Association was received at The Times office this morning. W. M. Gillespie of the Metropolitan Brokerage company was the donor. Final reports from the association headquarters were encouraging as to the result of the basket fund work, and delivery of the baskets was started this morning.

Arrangements are being made to entertain the State Checker Players association which meets for the annual tournament in Oklahoma City December 28, 29, and 30. The games will be played in the rooms of the association's headquarters in the Culbertson building. There are about forty expert players in the state who are expected to attend the tournament.

County Attorney elect H. Y. Thompson has announced the appointment of Miss Helen Paul as stenographer for his office. Miss Paul has just completed a term as deputy in the office of the clerk of the superior court.

Married on September 5 deserted on the 25th of the same month and suing for divorce on December 24 is the record made by Walter F. Bailey in filing proceedings against his wife Bertha. The petition alleges that the wife married him only for the purpose of getting all the money she could and that she got \$150 and left sug-

gestedly to visit her father in Buenos Ayres, South America.

Marriage licenses were issued today to Frank Lee, 46 and Mary May, 43, Luther; R. Reed, 28, and Hazel Bailey, 23, Oklahoma City; David Randall, 22, and Gladys Dawson, 19, Arcadia; D. E. Knight, 24, and Lena Bishop, 25, Pauls Valley; Thomas Louis Armstrong, 26, and Bess Emmett Blankinship, 25, Oklahoma City; R. J. Burwell, 26, and Ethel Heiton, 18, Yale; Albert V. Mathews, 79, and Harriet L. Calhoun, 73, Oklahoma City; Frank L. Kidd, 23, and Beryl F. Rouse, 22, Oklahoma City; W. V. Hardie, 23, and Maymen Phillips, 38, Oklahoma City.

A motion for a new trial was filed in district court today by J. W. McClintic, whose wife, Ruth McClintic, obtained a divorce and order for \$10 a month alimony before Judge McMullan a few days ago.

NOTHING DOING SIGN

Politicians Absent From Usual Haunts at Near Approach of Christmas—Hotel Lobbies Deserted.

The "nothing doing" sign was hanging out today in the hotel lobbies and other congregating points of the politicians. Most of the state savers were either at home or speeding in that direction to spend the Christmas holidays at the family fireside.

The lobbies of the Lee-Huckins and Skirvin hotels had a strangely vacant stare this morning owing to the absence of the army of politicians and office seekers which have formed the vanguard of the incoming state administration and legislative session. The row of chairs in the outer office of Governor-elect Williams' headquarters at the Lee-Huckins were vacant as the next chief executive was no longer there to receive pie hunters. Judge Williams went to Ada last night to spend Christmas with friends.

DISILLUSIONED.



The Sweet Thing—You told me that you were the first assistant to the manager and now I find that you're only a janitor.
The Smart Fellow—Well, the first assistant the manager calls for in the morning is the janitor.

WHITE SLAVE CASES

Assignment of Docket for United States District Court Is Received—Seven Suits.

The assignment of the docket by Judge Cotter for the terms of the United States district court which begins at Guthrie on January 4, was received today at the office of A. C. Dolde, clerk of the court.

The docket contains seven criminal cases in which the government is prosecuting alleged violators of the Mann white slave act. The defendants in these cases are: W. W. Anthony of Oklahoma City, J. V. Snow, negro; J. B. Burton, T. D. Elliott, Riley Costello, Frank Roemer, R. M. Harrison and C. B. Bass.

The case in which Jake L. Hamon of Lawton, former chairman of the Republican state committee, is charged with conspiracy to conceal assets from the operation of the bankruptcy laws is also set for trial.

One of the big civil cases set for hearing at Guthrie is the suit of Columbus Bierce for an equity in the estate of William W. Bierce, a wealthy cotton man who died here December 2, 1911. In this suit the brother of the dead man asks judgment for \$62,175 against the Bierce estate naming Mrs. Ellen Alden Bierce, widow and executrix as defendant.

A DIFFERENT VIEW.



Mrs. Hennballot—I wonder why our new congresswoman doesn't introduce a bill to prohibit women from wearing the skins of innocent fur-bearing animals. She was always advocating that reform.
Mrs. Wiseguy—Well, you see, since she was elected to congress she found she could afford a set of sable herself.

The impetuous artist had brought home a bottle of medicine for his small daughter. It was unpleasant looking stuff, and she demurred at taking it.

"But," pleaded her father, "poor old dad has spent his last dollar for this medicine."

Touched, the child took a draught. But a little later she adied up to her father. "Dad," she said, "if—if you think you could afford it, I'd like to throw this up."

The moon shone flickeringly on a pair of lovers who were seated in a remote corner of the park.

"But I am so unworthy of you, darling," he murmured, as he held her close to him.

"Oh, Fred," she sighed, "if you and father agreed on every other point as you do on that, how happy we should be!"

WOULD PREVENT OFFICE MOVING

Constitution Says State Departments Must Be Maintained at Seat of Government.

TWO APPOINTEES INVOLVED

Although the question never before has been raised, it is possible that the constitutional provision requiring that all state offices and departments be maintained at the seat of government will be tested in the incoming administration. Bringing this about is the persistent rumor that it is the intention of the state game warden to maintain his office at Poteau, and the understanding that if Dr. J. W. Duke of Guthrie accepts the appointment as state health commissioner he will remove the office to Guthrie.

It has been understood that George Noble, new game warden, would keep his office at his home in Poteau and transact all the business there. Confirmation of this has even been made by him in a letter which has been received from him at the game warden's office. Although Dr. Duke has not publicly announced his acceptance of the position of state health commissioner, it has been understood that he would on condition that he could maintain the office at Guthrie.

Section one of article six of the constitution defines what the state offices shall be and while not specifically naming "the game warden and state health commissioner," does say, "and other officers provided by law and this constitution, each of whom shall keep his office and public records, books, and papers at the seat of government, and shall perform such duties as may be designated in this constitution or prescribed by law."

Judge Askew, the first game warden, maintained his office at Chickasha, and Dr. J. C. Mohr, first state health commissioner, stayed at Shawnee and also in Oklahoma City while the capital was located at Guthrie. The question, however, was not raised then, and no attempt was made to test the provision. In the opinion of legal minds if the constitution is worth anything at all it means that no state office, whatever it is, may be maintained at any other place than the seat of government.

To Cure a Cold in One Day. Take LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE Tablets. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVES'S signature is on each box, 25c.

GREEN THINGS.



Binks—That girl in the green wig looks good enough to eat!
Jinks—You must be eating like a horse!

Cause for Anarchy.
"What's the matter with Willy?"
"He's turned anarchist."

"Anarchist! Dear, dear! What's turned him?"
"He says he can't support any government that willfully sends ships to bring home stranded school teachers."

MARKETS

Oklahoma Livestock.

TODAY'S RECEIPTS.
Cattle 135
Calves 25
Hogs 700
Horses 150
CATTLE—A few loads of mixed and butcher stuff showed up for Thursday's market, which was generally steady. There is a good demand for stockers and feeders, but this class was scarce today. Good head of good cows and heifers brought \$5.50@6.00 as tops. Good bulls sold at \$5.25@5.50. Choice veal calves are quoted at \$8.00.

NATIVE COWS.
1 810.....5.00
2 740.....5.50
1 hfr. 650.....5.75
1 700.....5.25
1 800.....6.00
Calves.....7.00
1 130.....7.00
1 240.....5.00

TODAY'S QUOTATIONS.
Good to choice corn fed.....\$7.50@8.00
Medium to good corn fed.....7.00@7.75
Good to choice yearlings.....7.25@8.00

Cows and Heifers.
Good to choice cows.....\$4.00@4.25
Fair to good.....3.25@3.75
Fair cutters.....4.00@4.25
Canners.....3.25@3.75
Choice heifers.....4.75@5.25
Good fed heifers.....6.00@6.50
Fair to good.....5.50@5.75
Common to fair.....4.75@5.25
Best fed bulls.....6.25@6.50
Medium to good butchers.....5.00@5.50
Bologna.....4.00@4.50

Stockers and Feeders.
Native.....6.25@7.00
Good to choice feeders.....6.25@7.00
Medium to good.....5.00@5.50
Best stock calves.....6.00@6.50
Medium to good stock calves.....5.75@6.25
Good to choice yearlings.....6.00@6.50
Medium to good.....5.75@6.25
Stockers cows.....6.00@6.50
Best stocker feeder heifers.....6.00@6.50
Stockers bulls.....6.25@6.50

Quarantine.
Stockers and Feeder Cattle.....5.00@5.50
Selected feeders.....5.00@5.50
Medium to good.....4.50@5.25
Medium to good stockers.....4.50@5.25
Stock heifers.....4.25@4.50
Stockers cows.....3.75@4.25

HOGS.—All early trading was on a steady to be lower basis today, with a top of \$7.25, bulk of the sales at \$6.50@7.10. Pigs sell at \$5.25@5.75.

Market Closed.
The local live stock market will be closed Dec. 25-26 of this week, on account of Christmas.

Kansas City Live Stock.
Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 24.—Cattle receipts 1,000, market steady to weak; prime fed steers, \$5.35 to \$5.50; dressed beef steers, \$7.25 to \$7.50; cows and heifers, \$4.50 to \$5.00; stockers and feeders, \$6 to \$7; bulls, \$5.25 to \$5.50; sows, \$5 to \$5.25. Hog receipts, 5,000; market steady; heavy, \$7.00@7.25; packers and butchers, \$6.75; light, \$6.50@6.75.

We Wish for Everybody a Very Merry Christmas

Open Tonight

Closed Tomorrow

The B & N
ONE PRICE CLOTHING HOUSE
BARTH AMYER
315-25 MAIN STREET, OKLAHOMA CITY

Closed Tomorrow

DEATH RATE SMALL FOR FRENCH WOUNDED SOLDIERS
Paris, Dec. 24.—Almost half a million wounded soldiers were treated in French hospitals between Sept. 15 and Nov. 30. The figures were submitted to the army committee of the chamber of deputies by the chairman of the committee, M. Troussaint, who gave the precise number as 480,731. Of this total 248 per cent died.

A Georgia magistrate was perplexed by the conflicting claims of two negro women for a baby, each one contending that she was the mother of it. The judge remembered Solomon, and drawing a Bowie knife from his boot, declared that he would give half to each.

The women were shocked, but had no doubt of the authority and purpose of the judge to make the proposed compromise. "Don't do that, boss," they both screamed in unison. "You can keep it yourself."

Some men are too polite to be truthful.



ELECTRIC TREE LIGHTING WILL MAKE YOUR CHRISTMAS SAFE

Give an Electrical Present—Inexpensive, Charming, Practical

Every Electric Lighted Home—and this means the great majority—may be free from the danger and anxiety of Christmas tree candles by using festoons of tiny electric lamps.

Electrical articles and gifts are becoming inseparable from Christmas. There is an electrical gift for everyone at a price for every purse.

The gift electrical is pre-eminently the gift practical. It renders comfort, convenience, charm, long after the ordinary gift has been forgotten.

This year prices for Electric Ware are unusually low—as the result of special co-operative effort by our Company and these dealers:

ARNOLD & WETHERBEE, 114 North Broadway
McELDOWNEY & CARSON, 19 North Robinson
SOUTHWESTERN ELECTRIC CO., 26 North Harvey
OKLAHOMA ELECTRICAL SUPPLY CO., 120 W. Main

Electric Flat Irons, \$2.35. Electric Toasters, \$1.60
REDUCED DURING HOLIDAY SALE ONLY

Oklahoma Gas & Electric Co.

Telephone PBX-14 114 North Broadway